

For: State Offices and Service Centers

NASS County Average Yield Data

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1 Overview

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Background

NASS county average yield data is being provided for determining updated yields for DCP. The NASS county average yield data cannot be modified by State or County Offices.

The county average yield data was determined according to the following:

- NASS county average yield was used if available
- NASS district average yield was used if NASS county average yield was unavailable
- NASS State average yield was used if NASS county average and district average was unavailable
- if NASS State average yield is unavailable, yield information will be collected from the State Office and a yield will be determined by DAFP.

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Purpose

This notice alerts State Offices and Service Centers that:

- the NASS County Average Yield file will be transmitted to counties on August 13, 2002
- Information Bulletin 2431 will be provided with additional details about the file download.

Disposal Date

October 1, 2003

Distribution

State Offices; State Offices relay to Service Centers

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Report Descriptions

The following table provides a description of the items printed on the NASS Yield File Report.

Field Name	Description
Crop Name	Crop name will be displayed.
Crop Code	Crop code will be displayed.
Practice Code	One or more of the following will be displayed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A, which indicates a blended yield <p>Note: This yield will not be used in the yield calculations if NASS provided both a nonirrigated and irrigated yield</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I, which indicates the county average irrigated yield• N, which indicates the county average nonirrigated yield.
Weighted Average	The weighted average yield is determined by adding the yields for 1998 through 2001 together and dividing by 4. The weighted average becomes the NASS county average yield and will be used when calculating updated yields.
Yields (1998 - 2001)	Displays the NASS county average yield by practice for the years of 1998 through 2001.
Yields (1997 - 1990)	The yields for 1997 through 1990 will only display the historical peanut yield data. None of the other covered commodities will have data for these years.
Update Date	This is the date the file was downloaded to the County Office.

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Example of Report

Following is an example of the NASS Yield File Report.

MINNESOTA FARIBAULT Report ID: MAA261-R001				U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency NASS Yield File Report										Prepared: 08-06-2002 Page: 1		
Crop Name	Crop Code	Prac Code	Weighted Average	-----Yields-----												Update Date
				2001	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	
Wheat	0011	A	32	38	27	21	40									08/06/2002
		I	39	40	39	40	36									08/06/2002
		N	31	37	26	20	40									08/06/2002
Oats	0016	A	45	51	27	33	68									08/06/2002

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Printing the Report

The NASS Yield File Report can be printed by taking option 14, Print County Office NASS Yield File Report, from Acreage History Screen MIB70001. The report will include all NASS yield data for the county.
